

## Recommendations

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Counselor/Homeschool Advisor, Mentor \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_



# The Senate Page

The Washington State Legislature has one of the finest page programs in the country. Hundreds of students throughout Washington State have an opportunity each year to take part in the legislative process and observe the Legislature and other branches of state government in action.

This document provides basic information about the Senate Page Program to assist you in submitting your application. In order to be considered, you must complete the application and **return it to the senator who represents**

**your legislative district.** If you don't know your Senator's name and address, here's how to find it:

- Call your County auditor's office
- Call the Legislative Information Center Hotline at 800-562-6000
- Online at:

[www.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/default.aspx](http://www.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/default.aspx)

It is an honor to be selected as a Senate page. If you are selected, you can look forward to a fun and

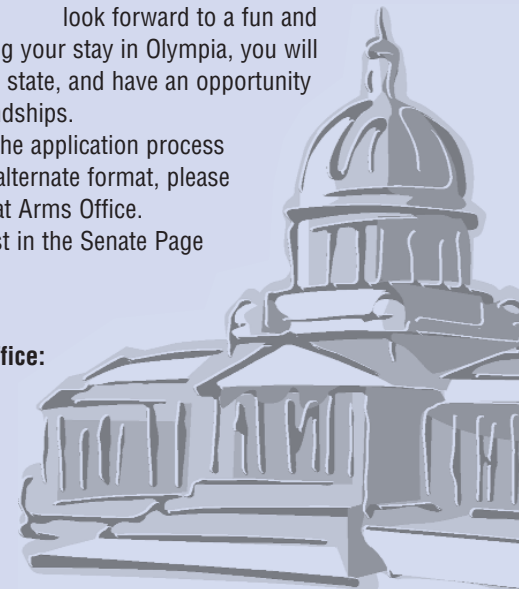
educational experience. During your stay in Olympia, you will meet people from all over the state, and have an opportunity to make new and lasting friendships.

If you need assistance in the application process or need this document in an alternate format, please contact the Senate Sergeant at Arms Office.

Thank you for your interest in the Senate Page Program!

### Senate Sergeant at Arm's Office:

PO Box 40482  
Olympia, WA. 98504-0482  
(360) 786-7189  
or (360) 786-7560  
E-mail:  
[Goetz.marian@leg.wa.gov](mailto:Goetz.marian@leg.wa.gov)



For more information, visit the Washington State Legislature's web site at: [www.leg.wa.gov](http://www.leg.wa.gov), or for Senate Page Program information visit: [www.leg.wa.gov/senate/sadm/senpage.htm](http://www.leg.wa.gov/senate/sadm/senpage.htm).

**The Page** is a helping hand during legislative sessions, which run from January through March or April. Pages perform many tasks that allow Senators and staff to focus on legislative duties. Pages spend two hours each day in Page School learning about the legislative process.

The Senate receives hundreds of page applications each year. Though we would like to accept all who apply, there are limited openings. To maximize the opportunity for all, our policy allows that you page **ONE TIME ONLY** in either the Senate or the House. Your application will not be accepted if our records show that you have paged for either chamber in the past.

**Here are requirements you must meet:**

1. Parent/guardian's permission;
2. School's permission/recommendation;
3. Senate sponsor;
4. Social Security number (**must be included on this application**); and
5. Must be at least 14 years of age and have not reached your 17th birthday.

If you are selected, you will receive an acceptance letter and an information packet addressing everything you need to know about paging. This packet will arrive approximately four weeks before your start date and includes a Page Handbook, necessary forms and a list of private host homes for your stay in Olympia.

Your parents or guardian are responsible for your housing arrangements and your off-duty time.

Pages work from Monday through Friday. You must attend a 1½ hour Page orientation the Sunday before your scheduled work week. Details will be included in the information packet.

Pages begin their work day at 7:45 a.m. and finish no later than 5:00 p.m. If the Senate holds an evening or Saturday session, pages are not required to work but may volunteer. You will earn \$35 per day for each day worked (including Sunday). A check will be mailed to your home 2-4 weeks after you have completed your week of paging.

**Your appearance must be neat at all times.**

A page jacket will be furnished, however, you will need to bring:

- Black slacks or dress pants (skirts, black jeans, spandex, leggings or "low rise" pants are NOT acceptable).
- Gentlemen: white shirts with collar and black tie—shirts must always be tucked in.
- Ladies: white blouses, shirts or turtlenecks (shirts must be tucked in and buttoned to the waist—T-shirts, sweatshirts, bare midriffs are NOT acceptable).
- Comfortable black shoes and black socks (solid black tennis shoes are acceptable).

A complete packing list is included in the information packet. You will need to acquire the necessary clothing and wear it appropriately before you are allowed to page. If the dress requirements are not met, you will be asked to return home.

Pages are scheduled up to 2 months ahead for the entire session. Please give careful consideration to the "Weeks you cannot page" section of the application. If you are selected and scheduled to page, we cannot reschedule you for any reason.

**If you have questions:**

- Refer to the Frequently Asked Questions page at:  
[www.leg.wa.gov/senate/sadm/senpage.htm](http://www.leg.wa.gov/senate/sadm/senpage.htm)
- Call your legislative district Senator's office.
- Contact individuals listed on the Page Program Contacts list found at the website address above.



## SENATE PAGE APPLICATION

**Please type or print legibly.**  
**Application must be filled out completely on both sides to be considered.**

<b>Student Information</b>	
Name: _____ (first) _____ (middle) _____ (last)	
Home Address: _____	
Home Phone: (____) _____	
E-mail: _____	
Social Security Number (required): _____	
Date of birth: _____	Age: _____
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
School name: _____	
Grade: _____	Principal: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____	Date: _____
Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____	Date: _____

I give my permission for my child/ward to participate in the Washington State Senate Page program.

I also authorize, by my signature, the use of photographs of my child by the Washington State Senate and/or its designated representatives in any Senate authorized publication. I understand that such photographs will be held in files open to the public and agree to the use of these photographs without compensation or payment.

Your Legislative District State Senator (see front of this application to find): \_\_\_\_\_

Have you paged at any time in the: Senate? \_\_\_\_\_ House? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will you require housing? ☐ Yes ☐ No

<b>Parent Information</b>
Name of parent(s) or guardian: _____
Parent contact numbers: Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Home Phone: _____
E-mail address: _____

**\*Weeks you CANNOT page (school activities, sports, family obligations, etc.):** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please give this section careful consideration. We cannot reschedule you if you cancel.** \_\_\_\_\_

**I recommend this applicant for the position of PAGE for the Washington State Senate during the upcoming legislative session.**

**Member, Washington State Senate**